

# **HOPE VI FACT SHEET**

### **Program Purpose**

The HOPE VI program serves a vital role in the Department of Housing and Urban Development's efforts to transform Public Housing. The specific elements of public housing transformation that have proven key to HOPE VI include changing the physical shape of public housing, establishing positive incentives for resident self-sufficiency and comprehensive services that empower residents, lessening concentrations of poverty by placing public housing in nonpoverty neighborhoods and promoting mixed-income communities, and forging partnerships with other agencies, local governments, nonprofit organizations, and private businesses to leverage support and resources.

### **Eligible Activities**

The activities funded by HOPE VI include the capital costs of major rehabilitation, new construction and other physical improvements; demolition of severely distressed public housing; management improvements; planning and technical assistance; and community and supportive service programs for residents.

## **Program Authority**

HOPE VI was created by the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1993 (Pub.L. 102-389), approved on October 6, 1992 (the 1993 Appropriations Act), and was originally known as the Urban Revitalization Demonstration (URD). HOPE VI has been funded by appropriation in FY 1993 - 1999. The FY 1999 appropriation also included the authorization of HOPE VI as Section 24 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937. Grants are governed by each Fiscal Year's Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA), as published in the Federal Register, and the Grant Agreement executed between each recipient and HUD.

### **Funding History**

Since the inception of the program, funds have been awarded to a total of 130 Housing Authorities in 34 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

35 Planning Grants totalling	\$ 14,752,081
149 Revitalization Grants totalling	4,055,001,235
134 Demolition-Only Grants totalling	218,344,094
318 Total Grants totalling	\$4,288,097,410

### **Program Outcomes**

The awards for FYs 1993-2000 will fund demolition of almost 97,000 severely distressed public housing units, and will produce over 61,000 revitalized dwellings.